



NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY CONSTRUCTION NOTICE West Montgomery Alley

The Mayor and Council of Rockville awarded the construction of the West Montgomery Alley to Highway and Safety Services, Inc. of Gaithersburg, Maryland, on August 4.

Construction will begin in September 2008 and last approximately one month, weather permitting. The construction will involve the grading and establishment of an alley from the existing alley near Mannakee Street to the existing alley near Laird Street. The alley will be paved with pervious concrete. Permanent bollards will be installed at a point approximately mid-way between Mannakee Street and Laird Street to prevent cut-through traffic. The portions of the alley that are currently paved will be repaired after construction of the alley is complete. The repair work will be done through the City's Asphalt Maintenance program, and may not occur until next spring when asphalt maintenance work in the City begins.

In order to pave the alley, some impact to existing trees is expected. Existing trees adjacent to the alley will be root pruned prior to construction. Six trees will need to be removed as identified by the City Forester. Discussions have been held with residents whose fences will be impacted. The City will contact these residents prior to construction to coordinate the work.

In addition, the storm drains from the alley to and across West Montgomery Avenue will need to be replaced and upgraded to improve the drainage in the alley. A permit from the Maryland State Highway Administration has been obtained and construction will take place near the intersection of Aberdeen Road and West Montgomery Avenue. Temporary lane closures may be in place during this work.

Project History

This project was initiated in response to requests from residents to construct an alleyway behind the homes on West Montgomery Avenue to give residents access to their homes from the alley and avoid backing into traffic on MD Route 28. A community meeting was held on April 24, 2008 to discuss the details of the design. City staff finalized the design based on feedback received from residents during the meeting. In July, the final design was completed and plans and specifications were advertised to bid for construction. Highway and Safety Services, Inc. was awarded the project by submitting the lowest bid and providing sufficient references.

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